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April 26, 2021

BY ECF

The Honorable Jesse M. Furman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: United States v. Alan Tejeda-Isabel, No. 20 Cr. 515 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

A pretrial conference in the above-captioned matter is scheduled for May 3, 2021.

The parties have been engaged in productive discussions regarding potential pretrial resolution of this case, but do not expect such discussions to be completed in advance of the forthcoming conference. The Government therefore writes to respectfully request that the Court adjourn the conference. After conferring with the Court's chambers regarding available dates, the parties respectfully request that the Court adjourn the pretrial conference until June 7, 2021, at 3 p.m.

The Government further respectfully requests that the Court exclude time under the Speedy Trial Act, from May 3, 2021 to June 7, 2021, to permit the parties time to continue negotiations towards potential pretrial resolution, including allowing defense counsel adequate time to advise the defendant in light of logistical challenges to communication caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Government submits that the ends of justice served by the continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. See 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

I have communicated with defense counsel, who has consented to the above requests.

Respectfully submitted,

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Application GRANTED. Time is excluded in the interests of justice from today, April 26, 2021, until June 7, 2021, for the reasons set forth in the Government's letter. The Clerk of Court is directed to terminate Doc. #23. SO ORDERED.

April 26, 2021